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O C T O B E R

Another fine article on Hard Times Tokens will be included in the November issue of TNA NEWS.

1st REMEMBER The of November is the deadline for the December issue!

LYMAN C. BARTEE

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Box 1225
Austin, TX. 78767

Let us be thankful that hurricane Allen did not take the life of any of our members. To those who suffered monetary loss we extend our sympathy

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Your president had the privilege of attending the ANA convention held in Cincinnati. The attendance was not the largest, however those attending were definitely interested in numismatics. The educational forum was very interesting and informative. The bourse was very active with choice material in great demand. Most auction items brought prices at about expected prices. There were exceptions both up and down.

The board meetings were open to the general membership. Most of the action was routine; however one item was of interest. The opinion of many was that a grade between MS60 and MS65, also between 65 and 70, is needed. The final vote of the board to adopt this and 63 and 67 were agreed break points. If a coin is better than 60 but not as good as 65, there should be a grade and price somewhere between the two. This has been brought about by the extremely wide price spread between 60-65, also 65-70.

TNA members who are members of ANA are aware that a much needed addition is planned for the ANA headquarters building. Your president has been asked to help raise this money for this project. Clubs, members and friends are asked to make tax-deductable contributions. There are about 40 ANA clubs and 2000 members in Texas. Hopefully each will participate. Contributions should be sent to ANA headquarters designated for the building fund.

There are many club shows scheduled for the next year. If your club is a member of ANA, please give serious consideration to giving a large portion of the profits to this worthy undertaking.

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Our annual TNA convention for 1981 is really taking shape. The Maximillian Numismatic & Historical Society will hold a meeting and will provide an excellent program. Senor Miguel Munoz of Mexico City, one of the foremost numismatists in North America, will be one of the speakers at the educational forum Saturday, May 2, 1981.

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Dues for 1981 will be due soon and are acceptable now. Dues for adults

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HARD TIMES TOKENS —

. . . occasionally history repeats

By LCdr C. C. Andrews, USN (Ret.)
Dallas, Tx.

Andrew Jackson won a plurality of both the popular vote and electoral college vote in the 1824 election. As none of the candidates had majority, the president was elected by the House of Representatives in accordance with the 12th Amendment to the Constitution. The three candidates with the greater number of electoral votes were: Jackson 99, John Quincy Adams 84, William H. Crawford 41. Henry Clay had 37, but he was automatically eliminated by the 12th Amendment, which directs the House will elect the president from the three men with the highest number of electoral votes. In January 1825, Clay announced his support of Adams and invited all state delegations in the House follow his lead. Adams was selected by the House, — because Clay had reached an agreement with him, Clay would support Adams if in turn Adams would appoint Clay to the office of Secretary of State. Adams fulfilled his part of the agreement, but in doing so, he lost considerable support, and the next presidential election, because of his "corrupt bargain." In 1828, Jackson beat Adams decisively. He won 56% of the popular vote, and a majority of 178 electoral votes to 83 for Adams.

Jackson came to the presidency in 1829 with some strong beliefs, among which was the importance of the federal union, and that the Second Bank of the United States was a danger to the liberty of the American people, because it represented a fantastic centralization of economic and political power under private control.

The Bank was chartered in 1816 for

FIG I

FIG II

20 years by the U. S. Congress. The Bank capital was assigned at $35,000,000, one-fifth of which was subscribed by the federal government, the rest by the public. A board of 25 men directed the Bank's affairs, appointed its administrative officers, invested its funds, and established its branch banks in principle U. S. cities. Five of the board members were appointed by the President of U. S., the other 20 were elected by the stockholders. The Bank had authority to issue notes that were receivable for money owed the U. S. Government, and it served as a depository for government funds that could be invested for the profit of the stockholders. The Bank exercised tremendous influence in foreign and domestic finance, as well as unrivaled power over state banks.

In effect, the Bank was a central bank, designed to regulate the credit and currency operations of the country. This it did — extremely well — despite Jackson's claims to the contrary. Conversely, the Bank had contributed to the severity of the economic depression of 1819. The Bank had pursued a policy of preserving and improving the Bank's credit by calling in loans and foreclosing mortgages. It gathered the notes of many state banks and then returned them for payment in gold or silver. As many of these unlucky banks were without specie, they slid into bankruptcy. Then there was the matter of documented proof of the Bank's discrimination against friends of Jackson's administration.

During the first three years of Jackson's presidency, he considered different methods of resolving the Bank problem, but other matters such as the Eaton Affair, preservation of the union, remolding his cabinet sans John C. Calhoun, the Maysville Road Bill etc. demanded his attention.

Suddenly,almost without warning, Nicolas Biddle, president of the Bank, asked for recharter of the Bank in early 1832, nearly four years prior to the charter expiration date. He had reached the conclusion that Jackson would not risk re-election with the Bank issue being a part of his campaign. Biddle not only made a judgmental error, but also provided proof that the Bank was a political agency attempting to interfere in the election process. He initiated action by writing to Senator George M. Dallas of Pennsylvania on January 6, 1832, asking for renewal of the Bank charter. The Bank rechartering bill was simultaneously introduced in both houses within three days, and it had cleared both houses by July 3, 1832. Jackson's veto of the Bank Bill was delivered to Congress on July 10, 1832. Congress was unable to override the veto. The Bank became a primary issue in the 1832 presidential election.

Fig. 1. Reverse of Low-4, ELECTED. AD. 1829. RE.ELECTED.AD. 1832. WE COMMEMOat THE GLORIOUS VICTORIES OF OUR HERO IN WAR & IN "PEACE" This piece appears to be a combination hero medal and political token. Jackson had attained hero status in 1814-15 in smashing the Creek Indian Nation, which opened extensive areas for white settlers; and defeating the British in the defense of New Orleans. These were glorious

victories as well as his successful political campaigns for the presidency.

Jackson won the election of 1828, — and he lost. The electoral college vote was: Jackson 219, Clay 49, Wirt 7. In the popular vote Jackson received 687,502 votes, and his opponents had a total combined vote of 530,189, giving him a large majority. On the other hand, the total vote cast was 60,000 greater than in the previous election, but Jackson received more than 40,000 less votes than in 1828. This is the only case in U. S. history wherein a president's re-election to a second term registered a decline in the percentage of popular votes. The Bank issue had been costly. However, he was right about the reasons for his re-election: personal popularity, party strength, plus a goodly amount of Democratic gimmickry — parades, illuminations, "transparencies," hickory pole raisings, rallies, barbecues, etc.

Fig. 2. Obverse of Low 4 ANDREW JACKSON, PRESIDENT OF THE U. S., REPRESENTED BY A DRAPED BUST RIGHT AND LAUREATED HEAD, possibly to suggest a similarity between President Jackson and an early Roman leader.

The diameter of this piece is 27 mm, weight 6.441 grams, edge plain, metal brass, somewhat smaller than the larger cents of the period. Mr. Low dates the issue of this token as 1832, probably soon after the election returning Andrew Jackson to the presidency for another term.

References: HARD TIMES TOKENS by Lyman H. Low, 2nd Ed. 1900 (SUPPLEMENT TO HARD TIMES TOKENS, by Lyman H. Low, 1906. EASY FINDING LIST, by William Forrester Dunham, 1910. PHOTOGRAPHIC PLATES, by Edgar H. Adams) complete in one volume by the Globe Print Co. 1955.

ANDREW JACKSON, by Robert V. Remini.

THE AGE OF JACKSON, by Arthur Meier Schlesinger, 1945.

Banco De Mexico Participated In ANA Convention — A First

Recognizing the important role of the numismatic community in its efforts to inform the American public about gold bullion coin investment, Banco de Mexico planned extensive participation on behalf of its "Gold Coins of Mexico" program during the 89th anniversary convention of the American Numismatic Association held in Cincinnati. This marks the first time that the Mexican government has taken part in the major international gathering.

The Federal Reserve Bank of the Mexican government held a showing of both gold and silver coins from the government's unique collection. The gold coins represented the entire history of minting by the Casa de Moneda, established in 1535, the oldest mint in continuous operation in the Western Hemisphere.

Valued at over $1 million, the numismatic collection was housed in the special exhibit area of the bourse room.

The cornerstone for the first mint in Philadelphia was laid in 1792.

THE ROMAN FORUM

By
Gerald W. Kendall
Houstan, Texas

THE SOTHIC-ZODIAC ISSUES OF PIUS

The Sothic Period was the Egyptian method of reconing time. Their year was 365 days in succession based on the rising of Sothis (Soirius, the Dog Star). The fact that Sothis rose a full day later every four years was not considered in their calendar (1). Consequently, the seasons began to swing out of alinement from the calendar so that in 730 years the deviation was a full 180 degrees. At the end of 1460 years (365 x 4) the calendar would again be in full agreement with the seasons. This event was celebrated in 139 A. D., third Alexanderian year (2) of the reign of Antoninus Pius 138-161. As a part of this celebration, a series of coins were struck for this event. All 12 of the Zodiac signs were struck on the reverses of the large bronzes. But for some reason still unknown, this issue was delayed until Pius' eighth year, 144/5 A. D. This year is indicated by the mark L H on the reverses.

These large bronzes, most probably drachmai, measure from 32 mm to 35 mm in diameter and are usually found in well worn condition indicating much use over a long period of time. All types are very scarce to extremely rare and at present only four (3) complete sets are known. This does not mean that there cannot be more than four sets as there are more than this number known of the rarest type. The series of signs follow a regular order; the Moon in Cancer and the Sun in Leo, followed by the then known five planets and the five signs from Virgo to Capricorn. The five planets are then repeated in reverse order with the five signs in regular order. This is done so that the planets will retain their proper signs. (4) The full list is as follows:

1. SATURN IN CAPRICORN
   Rx. Veiled head of Kronos (Saturn), god of time, right, he carries a falx (sickle or reaping hook). Below, a two legged Capricorn right. In fields, a star and the date L H.
2. SATURN IN AQUARIUS
   Rx. Veiled bust of Kronos (Saturn) left, a disc above his head. A falx over his shoulder. Below, a youth swimming left holding an amphora (water jar) in both hands. In fields, a star and L H.
3. JUPITER IN PISCES
   Rx. Laureate bust of Zeus (Jupiter) right. Below, a Centaur galloping his shoulder. Below, two fish, one swimming right and the other swimming left. In fields, L H.
4. JUPITER IN SAGITTARIUS
   Rx. Laureate bust of Zeus (Jupiter)

right. Below, a Centaur galloping right holding a drawn bow. At top, a star; at bottom, L H

5. MARS IN ARIES
   Rx: Bust of Aries (Mars) right wearing military dress. Below, a ram running right but looking behind. Above, a star, below, L H
6. MARS IN SCORPIO
   Rx. Bust of Aries (Mars) left wearing military dress. Below, a scorpion left. In fields, a star and L H
7. VENUS IN TARUS
   Rx. Bust of Aphrodite (Venus) left. Below, a bull butting left. Above, a star; below, L H
8. VENUS IN LIBRA
   Rx. Bust of Aphrodite (Venus) left. Below a young woman flying left but looking behind and holding a balance scale and a peplos.
9. MERCURY IN GEMINI (5)
   Rx. Head of Hermes (Mercury) right, star in front. Heracles standing facing with head turned right and holding a club. Apollo standing facing and head turned left and holding a lyre. L H between them.
10. MERCURY IN VIRGO
    Rx. Bust of Hermes (Mercury) left wearing a lotus on his head and carrying a caduceus. Demeter (Ceres) standing right, veiled, wearing chiton and peplos. She holds two corn ears and a long torch.
11. LUNA IN CANCER
    Rx. Bust of Selene (Luna) right. Below, the Crescent Moon. At top, a star; at bottom a crab, in fields L H
12. SOL IN LEO
    Rx. Radiate bust of Helios (Sol) right. Below, a lion running right. At top, a star, at bottom, L H

The obverse is always the same, the laureate bust of Pius right. However, there are very slight variations from die to die and there are variations in the exact legends of the Greek.

The British museum possesses only half of the set, these being numbers 2, 3, 4, 7, 11 and 12 in the above numbering order. Of the set sold by Malloy, three specimens came from the Mabbott collection and four from the Jungflisch collection. There are only 16 specimens known of Mercury in Gemini and only nine (6) of Mercury in Virgo.

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The world's first seven-sided coin, depicting a bird on one side and a butterfly on the other, was issued by Papua New Guinea in 1978, a 100-kina gold piece.

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EDITOR

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It's time to turn our attention to the annual Club Salute award. the easy rules can be found elsewhere in this issue of TNA NEWS. We sincerely hope there will be a good response. The awards will be presented at the 1981 TNA convention in Dallas.

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Rubenstein, Wolfson & Co., Inc of New York will introduce three new size Krugerrand gold coins at a dinner program on Sept. 30 at Galleria Plaza Hotel in Houston. Your editor was invited but will be unable to attend so Don Bailey of Houston will represent the TNA NEWS and give us a full report for the November issue. Don Mackay-Coghill will be one of the speakers. He is chief executive officer, worldwide, of International Gold Corp. Ltd for Krugerrand marketing, advertising and promotion on a global scale. Coghill will be joined by Kenneth Watson who has headed Krugerrand operations in the U. S. since the first national marketing effort was undertaken in the U. S. in the fall of 1976. .

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In November we celebrate Veterans Day and Thanksgiving Day, a time for family reunions. . You know what's

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Junior Readin' Roundup

Texas Numismatic Assn

Linda Runkle, Youth Chairman

4304 Jennie Ave Amarillo TX 79106

Does your club do anything for its members? How about a Christmas party or a summer picnic? It's a good way to get members involved and meet their families. It doesn't have to be anything fancy. You can even add your own touch. At our club picnic, (Amarillo Coin Club) we have home-made ice cream.

Or maybe that "something special" is missing from your meetings? Programs are an important part of your meetings. The program doesn't have to be long. A person can learn a lot in just five minutes. Every person knows enough about one subject to talk five minutes. It's not that hard (just ask my mom).

Maybe your meeting has a program but something is still missing. How about a door prize? It doesn't have to cost much, just something. We give away five prizes (more chances to win). You can give away any number. It can also be divided between adults and juniors. You can also have a quiz, or even just a junior quiz. The winner gets a small prize and the questions don't have to be hard.

Alamagordo Coin Club does their drawings a little different. Tickets for the door prize can be bought at ten cents each. A percent goes into the general spending money and the other part goes into a piggy bank. Members also give donations to the piggy bank. Everyone keeps only one ticket from the door prize and only one number is drawn. Just hope you keep the right ticket. They also have a "Guess What?" Money is put inside a jar or bottle and the members have to guess how much there is. The one who is nearest gets a prize. It gets all the members involved.

You can do special things at shows too. A penny barrel is a good way to get the public involved. We have members donate prizes, each prize is assigned a number. Wheat pennies are placed in envelopes and some have stickers with numbers on them. The envelopes are sold at 25¢ each or 5 for $1. It is an easy way to win prizes and it is lots of fun.

There are many ways to spice up meetings and shows. Why don't you write and let me know what you use at your meetings and a follow up will be in a future column.

The Treasury Department halted printing of all notes above $100 in 1969.

from the secretary

Texas Numismatic Association

Eleanor Kennady
2901 Silverleaf Dr.
Austin, Tex. 78757
(512/452-2675)

WELCOME to new members 3800-3809. If aproved the following will become members in November 1980 and through the year 1981.

3810 (D-11) Gary C. Littrell, 4300 Prairie #41, Amarillo, TX. 79109. Canada R. L. Tompkins & Charles W. Seward.

3811 (D-4) James K. Arnold, 4724 Teewood, Austin, TX. 78744. U.S. Lyman C. Bartee.

3812 Jack Payne, Box 1233, Ruidoso, N.M. 88345. Dealer John Berger & Ed Young.

3813 (D-2) Jan Niehouse, Box 10322, Midland, TX. 79702. U.S. 20th century.

3814 (D-5) Paul N. Delfeld, 2326 N. Henderson, Dallas, TX. 75206. Coins & paper currency. Joe Wade.

3815 (D-6) Blake Meyer III, 12030 Waldemar Dr., Houston, TX. 77077. Morgan silver dollars, Franklin 50¢ rolls. D. S. Higgins.

3816 Jack Ehrmantraut, Box 397, Hiawatha, IA. 52233. Silver dollars. D. S. Higgins.

3817 (D-12) James Deaton, Box 1832, Nacogdoches, TX. 75961.

3818 (D-8) Gary W. Willoughby, 5718 Killarmet Dr., Corpus Christi, TX. 78413. U.S. silver & gold coinage. John C. Face.

DECEASED

3110 (D-7) Gene O. Hohman, 15025 Cadillac, San Antonio, TX.

VIP AWARD

Donald S. Higgins - Houston, Texas.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE—

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and clubs for 1981 are $8. Send dues early thereby helping TNA save on postage and lighten the work of the secretary.

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FLASH ! ! The TNA NEWS won the Numismatic Literary Guild award for best organizational publication at the ANA convention. CONGRATULATIONS MIRIAM ! !

THE UNCOMFORTABLE—

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really wrong with the economy? We're earning money five days a week and the government is spending it seven... adios & thirty — — —

The most popular series of U. S. coinage to a beginner is the Lincoln cent which has been minted continuously since 1909. It replaced the Indian Head cent.

from the treasurer

Texas Numismatic Association

Stanford M. Kennady

2901 Silverleaf Dr., Austin, Texas 78757

Balance on hand as of July 31, 1980			$4,482.12
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			5,139.12
DISBURSEMENTS			
TNA Secretary - July payment		150.00	
TNA NEWS Editor - August travel allowance & July petty cash		171.60	
Banner Printing Co.		1,148.70	
July issue - 1350 copies	962.50		
Engraving	25.50		
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Waxahachie Glass Co. - repair to display cases		85.05	
Central Forwarding Inc - Case handling & storage		14.85	
Glascock & Co. - Boxes & locks for cases		100.00	1,670.20
			3,468.92

Balance on hand as of Aug. 31, 1980		$3,468.92
*Operating Funds	$3,378.03*	
*Encumbered Funds	$ 90.89*	

Note: The following funds cannot be used for anything except the purposes for which they are encumbered. The balance above includes these funds except as noted below:

TNA Library Fund as of Aug. 31, 1980	$ 90.89
TNA Life Membership Savings Account as of Aug. 31, 1980	$3,786.04

TNA NEWS Continuance Fund Certificate of Deposit as of July 31, 1980	$3,289.28
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OCTOBER 18-19

LIBERTY COIN CLUB, annual show, Exposition Hall. WRITE: Club, Box 7001, Corpus Christi 78415

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OCTOBER 25-26

LAFAYETTE COIN CLUB, 18th annual Cajun Coinval, Municipal Auditorium, Lafayette, La Everyone Welcome!

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NOVEMBER 8-9

TEXOMALAND COIN CLUB, annual show, Hotel Denison, WRITE: Club, Box B54, Denison 75020.

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NOVEMBER 14-16

NUMISMATICS INTERNATIONAL, 2nd annual Coin Exposition, Dunfey Dallas Hotel, Dallas WRITE: Charles Muchmore Jr., Box 6094, Richardson 75080

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NOVEMBER 23

DALWORTH COIN & STAMP SHOW, Rodeway Inn, Dallas-Ft. Worth Toll Rd. & Highway 360 at Six Flags. WRITE: Joe Wade 6420 Diamond Loch, Ft. Worth, 76118.

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NOVEMBER 29-30

PASADENA COIN CLUB, Ramada Inn, Hobby Airport, Houston BOURSE: R. J. Richardson, Box 34514, Houston 77034

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DECEMBER 12-14

WICHITA FALLS COIN & STAMP CLUB, annual show, Wichita Falls Activity Center, 10th & Indiana. WRITE: Charles Bathman, Box 921, Wichita Falls 76307

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1981 EVENTS

JANUARY 23-25

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MARCH 1

LEVELLAND COIN CLUB Details later

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MARCH 6-8

INTERNATIONAL COIN CLUB, El Paso. Details later.

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MARCH 21-22

SOUTTH PLAINS COIN CLUB, Lubbock Memorial Civic Center WRITE: Club, 3521 – 66th Dr., Lubbock 79413

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MARCH 28-29

WACO COIN CLUB Details later

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MAY 1-3

TEXAS NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION, 23rd convention, North Park Inn Convention Center, hosted by Dallas Coin Club.

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TEXAS District Meetings

DISTRICT I —

Joe Wade
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Members of Ft. Worth Coin Club held the annual watermelon supper during the July meeting held at Sylvania Park. It is tradition that no business be conducted as it is a time for members and their families to chat and enjoy the evening.

Only 29 members braved the heat, but the ones who did not come were the losers as it was quite pleasant under the shade of the large oak trees.

A special "thank you" went to Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Mears who acted as hosts for the occasion.

Members were also making last minute planes for the annual coin show Oct. 4-5 at Green Oaks Inn. — Mrs. C. C. Hanes, Reporter.

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DISTRICT V —

Barney Welch
Governor

Charles Muchmore Jr., NICE general chairman, and Neil Shafer, president of International Bank Note Society, announced that IBNS has joined Numismatics International and the Organization of International Numismatists as sponsors of NICE (Numismatics International Coin Exposition). Muchmore noted "IBNS participated in NICE 1979 and we are very happy to welcome them as an official sponsor this year.

All three sponsoring organizations will be having membership meetings during NICE which is scheduled for Nov. 14-16 at Dunfey Dallas Hotel in Dallas.

Ross Schraeder, bourse chairman, announced that 73 dealers had signed up leaving only nine tables open. Bruce Donahue, auction chairman, reported that the floor sessions for the William M. Rosenblum auction will be Friday evening, Nov. 14, and Saturday afternoon, Nov. 15. The auction catalog will be ready for mailing soon and will be mailed to members of the sponsoring organizations. Rosenblum may be contacted at Box 355, Evergreen, Colo. 80439.

Cecil Morris Jr. of Midwest City, Okla. has joined NICE as assistant bourse chairman. Muchmore noted "Cecil's experience and dealer contacts have been an invaluable asset in the past and they will continue to be in the future."

Speakers lined up for the educational program include Howard Ford of Anthony-Howard interna-

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tional; Bill Benson, past president of BNS, and David Alexander international editor with Coin World. Mashie Smith is program chairman. There will be five classifications for exhibits according to Elmore Scott, exhibits chairman. Exhibits are open to any member of the sponsoring organizations.

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Over 1200 attended the annual show hosted in July by members of **Dallas Coin Club** according to the club bulletin. Plans are already underway for the 1981 show on July 10-12. Also in 1981, the club will host the TNA convention on May 1, 2, 3 at North Park Inn Grand Ballroom.

During the August meeting, Eddie Boone gave a talk on investing in stamps. He has collected stamps for over 50 years. He showed several examples of investing in stamps, such as plate blocks, topicals, sheets, First Day Covers, etc.

Member Jim Doolin, along with Gordon Bleuler, had an article printed in the August issue of "The American Philatelist." The article was on Jim's specialty, Columbian Exposition Postal Cards.

An auction consisting of 10 lots was held and Barney Welch won the door prize. — **Frank Clark, Sec.**

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The August 2-3 coin show sponsored by **Dallas Coin Dealers Assn.** at Northtown Shopping Center in North Dallas was the best attended coin show held in the Dallas area according to Wm. L. Timmons, publicity chairman.

Sales were reported as excellent and one dealer reported that he sold a grocery bag full of proof sets to one customer. Items selling included "junk box" coins to the very expensive.

On Saturday night a buffet and auction was held at the Carrollton VFW. Mrs. James Blaine and her Ladies Auxiliary members served a delicious meal with 30 DCDA members and wives participating. The Association now has over 50 members. — **Wm. L. Timmons, Publicity.**

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DISTRICT VI —

Gerald Kendall
Governor

At the August meeting of **Greater Houston Coin Club** a slide program was given on U. S. coins followed by a discussion of related topics of interest.

Members are now meeting at First Unitarian Church on the third Thursday of the month.

During the July meeting, Al Loja was named general chairman for the 24th annual "Money Show" in January 1981. Also serving will be Gerald Kendall, vice chairman, James Hodnett, bourse, Ernest Morrow, exhibits, and Ellen Morrow, registration. Plans were also discussed for the anniversary social Sept. 21 at La Hacienda de los Morales. — **Club Bulletin**

DISTRICT VII —

Frank Galindo
Governor

Lee Grossman told about Byzantine Emperor Anastastius I and some of the intrigues of his times, including information about the coinage at the July 10 meeting of Alamo Coin Club of San Antonio. Grossman also gave the program on July 24 in the absence of Marcus Brown who was called out of town. He spoke on "Mexican Heroes on Coins." Mexico has honored many of its revolutionary heroes on coinage, from the Aztec Cuauhtemoc to Morelos and Hidalgo who fought against Spanish rule in 1813, to Madero and Carranze who fought for reform in the Mexican government before World War I

Winning door prizes at both meetings were Ted Almquist, W. T Potter, Vincent Grubbs, Miles Perron, Grossman, Ed Bruni, and Andy Almquist. — **Club Bulletin.**

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Twenty six attended the Sept. 4 meeting of **Gateway Coin Club** of San Antonio at Roadrunner Recreation Center, Ft. Sam Houston.

Leo Warren gave a program on his Texas token collection. Leo has an outstanding collection of the tokens and is noted as an authority on the subject.

During a previous meeting, a discussion was held on the upcoming coin show to be held in February. The show will be hosted by Gateway club and **Alamo Coin Club**. Other business discussed was a bid for the 1985 TNA convention to be held in San Antonio.

New members are Alfonso Cardenas, Stephen Arispe and Raymond Tate. — **Edd O'Conner, Pres.**

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DISTRICT VIII —

Joe B Davis
Governor

Hurricane Allen was the topic for discussion at a meeting of **Liberty Coin Club** of Corpus Christi as the gentleman who was to conduct the program could not make it

It was announced that Dulit Lee passed away Aug. 1. Mr Lee was owner of Chung Mai Restaurant where club members have held many dinners and parties in the past.

Guests at meetings included Fermin Cordova, Mary Palacios, Jose Luz Chacon from El Salvador, Bob Evans and Ouida Davis. Winning prizes were Marge Allen, Connie Gonzales, Pat Walzel and Joe Davis.

Plans were continuing for the annual coin show Oct. 18-19 at Exposition Hall — **Club Bulletin.**

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Ross Barrera gave a talk on grading of 1921 dimes and half dollars at the Aug. 26 meeting of **Corpus Christi Coin Club**

The meeting of Aug. 12 was attended by eight members and the time was spent telling of experiences during Hurrican Allen. — **Club Bulletin.**

DISTRICT IX —

D O Joplin
Governor

A change in show dates had to be made by members of **Lamb County Coin Club** of Littlefield. The show will be held Nov. 8-9 instead of Nov. 1-2, place to be announced. Twelve attended the August meeting held in the Flame Room Pioneer Natural Gas Bldg.

New members are Ed Chauncey and Kurk McEaney of Lubbock, who also won the door prize.

A 36-lot auction was conducted by Larry Sanderson and Ernest Mills. — **D. O. Joplin, Gov. Dist. 9**

A good attendance was reported at the August meeting of **South Plains Coin Club** of Lubbock held in the Precinct #1 Club House. There were 45 present and three new members were accepted.

D. O. Joplin was named general chairman for the spring show and the club voted to have table covers made for rental to dealers during the show.

Jim Hall conducted the auction and door prizes were won by Mrs. Elmo Webb and Joplin. — **D. O. Joplin, Gov. Dist. 9**

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DISTRICT XI —

Tommy Tompkins
Governor

The August meeting of **Hutchinson County Stamp & Coin Club** was held in Opportunities Center in Borger.

Lowell McKown, coin columnist for the Amarillo newspaper, was featured speaker and presented a program on "Hard Times Tokens and Store Cards."

Following the program, an auction and trade session were held.

A group from the club planned to attend a meeting of the **Amarillo Golden Spread Stamp Club** on Aug. 21 in the U. S. Postal Facility in Amarillo. — **Club Bulletin.**

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Amarillo Coin Club members voted to give a $275.00 scholarship to Amarillo College for the 1980-81 school year and also to place Coin World in schools and public libraries.

At the Labor Day meeting, Dr. Wm. W. Stout was to give a program on "Is the Coin Market Overpriced?"

Winning door prizes at previous meetings were Gordon Boyle, Jim Jordan, Kevin Ozee, Dr. Stout, Tommy Tompkins, Art Cox, Jack Pearson, Rosemary White and Tom Clark. — **Club Bulletin.**

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The Shield nickel was the first U. S. five cent nickel coin and had its beginning in 1866. It was discontinued after 18 years.

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DISTRICT XIII —

Bill Howard
Governor

Plans are being completed for a coin and gun show in Vernon at Wilbarger Auditorium on Nov. 1-2. Tables are $20 and security will be provided. Ample motel and restaurant accommodations are close by. Interested dealers and collectors may contact Leon Speer, general chairman, 2300 Antelope, Vernon 76384, 817/552-2345 — **Bill J. Howard, Gov. Dist. 13**

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Members of **Wichita Falls Coin & Stamp Club** have made plans to stage a coin and stamp show on Dec. 12-14 at Wichita Falls Activity Center, 10th and Indiana downtown. For reservations contact Charles Bathman, Box 921, Wichita Falls 76307.

Highlight of the August 21 meeting was a lecture on Texas Postal History by Mrs. Nonie Green, president of Texas Philatelic Assn. Using examples from her own collection of early day covers, she related many interesting facts about the beginnings and development of postal delivery in this state. She told how in 1769 a letter from Presidio to Mexico cost one reale, about 37½ cents. From that time on there were seizers of the mail, delays, and suspensions because there were no regular carriers.

In 1818 effort was made to establish regular mail delivery. Moses Austin and Stephen F. Austin made special efforts to establish routes. There were only four post offices in an area that had only 11,500 residents. One post office handled only 13 pieces of mail that year. From 1837 on, John Rice Jones was postmaster general after congress had established a postal department in 1836, but postage paid was only good up to the Texas border. From then on it was "postage due."

In 1840 there were 120 post offices in Texas. The border was finally determined with Mexico in 1848 and the army forts established between 1846 and 1867 helped make delivery of mail more likely and more secure. The first mile of railroad was laid in 1854 and by 1907 there were 12,900 miles. The trains carried mail, so gradually it was possible to send and receive mail in all parts of Texas.

Mrs. Green was introduced by Rev. Woody Poore, club member now living in Gainsville. Bill Murphy, new editor of the TPA Magazine was also introduced.

The secretary reported that there are 87 paid up members for 1980 and 47 members and guests were present for the meeting. — **Pauline Copeland, Sec.**

The Standing Liberty quarter was issued for only 15 years. It was replaced by the Washington quarter commemorating the 200th anniversary of George Washington's birth. It was designed by John Flanagan.

DISTRICT XV —

Roy Tritico, junior member of Greater Port Arthur Coin Club, presented a program on the Buffalo nickel at a recent meeting at First Federal Savings & Loan, Community Room. Roy told some of the history of the nickel, that it was designed by James L. Fraser and three different Indian chiefs posed for the obverse — Iron Tail, Two Moons and John Big Tree. The buffalo was modeled after Black Diamond who was in New York's Zoological Garden.

Jerry A. Williams
Governor

The Buffalo nickel was criticized because of its thickness, the buffalo's face looked too human; and the way the date wore down. There are a few varieties including the 3-legged of

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Texas Numismatic Association wishes to honor its chapter members so the Governing Board established an award to salute the three top clubs in Texas. The awards are made annually at the Governors' and Club Representatives' breakfast during TNA conventions. THE CLUB SALUTE AWARD carries first, second and third honors. Clubs participating must be TNA members in good standing.

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7. Coin show activities.
8. Special honors bestowed upon club or any member.
9. Describe how your meetings and shows are publicized.
10. List any ideas your club has adopted to increase interest.
11. What each club did to further and encourage numismatics.
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14. Programs designated to continue and generate interest in the local coin club.
15. Particular actions employed to encourage junior members locally and statewide.

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Door prizes were drawn by Roy and Mignonne Mounier and Belinda Gleason. Others winning prizes were John Gleason, Steve Pecora Jr. and Roy Tritico. — **Club Bulletin**

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Only 24 Barber dimes were struck at the San Francisco mint during the year 1894 making it almost impossible to complete a set of Barber dimes.

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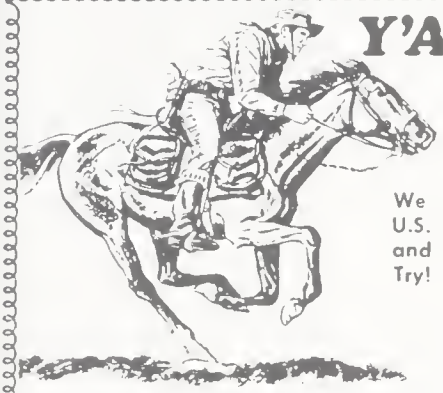

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